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SUBJECT: KOREAN AMBASSADOR (ROK) TO TUNIS VISITS
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1. ROK AMB TO TUNIS MOON CALLED AT EMBASSY YESTERDAY TO DISCUSS LIBYAN/ROK RELATIONS AND RECIEVE GENERAL BRIEFING ON LIBYAN SCENE, MOON, WHO HAD CALLED PREVIOUSLY IN FEB, SAID HE WAS HOPEFUL THAT LIBYA MIGHT BE PERSUADED TO ACCEPT A ROK TRADE MISSION. HE ADDED THAT ROK IS CURRENTLY EXPORTING SOME \$20 MILLION TO LIBYA BUT FELT THAT A RESIDENT TRADE MISSION COULD GREATLY EXPAND THIS COMMERCE. MOON NOTED THAT THIS WAS HIS LAST VISIT SINCE HE WAS BEING TRANSFERRED TO ANKARA. HE WAS RECEIVED AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY BY THE DIRECTOR OF ASIAN AFFAIRS BUT WAS UNABLE TO OBTAIN AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE UNDER SECRETARY BECAUSE "THEY WERE BUSY OR OUT OF TOWN." AT SAME TIME LOCAL PRESS REPORTED THAT LIBYAN MINISTER OF SOCIAL WELFARE HAD RECEIVED VISIT

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ROK SPORTS DELEGATION (FOOTBALL TEAM).

2. COMMENT: LIBYAN INTEREST IN DIVERSIFIED SOURCE
OF NON-LETHAL MILITARY ITEMS APPARENTLY MAKES MOON
MILDLY OPTIMISTIC THAT ESTABLISHMENT OF TRADE
RELATIONS POSSIBLE.
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